

## VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

February 28, 2014

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from

February 21, 2013 – February 27, 2014. Readers are reminded that an "arrest" is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post-arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court's website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS is not meant to be a listing of every incident or call handled by the Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents, which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact MPO Gary Lose for further information at glose@viennaya.gov)

### **INCIDENTS**

Fraud 14-02092 400 Block East Street, SE

Between January 31 at 12:00 and February 12 at 12:00 a.m.

A resident reported that someone transferred money from his account to a bank account in Idaho without his knowledge.

This case is being investigated.

Suspicious Event 14-02298 400 Block Pine Street, SE February 07 5:00 p.m.

An employee reported another employee had been fired and may have intentionally returned the wrong office key.

The employee was concerned that the ex-employee would use their key to enter the business with the intent to take equipment or customer records.

#### Telephone Case 14-02180 122 Maple Avenue, West

#### Between February 19 at 9:00 a.m. and February 23 at 1:58 a.m.

Officer Holcombe responded to the Vienna Police Station in reference to a resident who reported she had received several harassing telephone calls from the mother of her estranged husband. She also stated the mother showed up at her home uninvited and let herself in without permission.

Officer Holcombe informed her that she may want to change the locks to her residence and speak to a magistrate concerning a warrant for the harassing behavior.

### Suspicious Event 14-02106 600 Block Meadow Lane, SW

#### February 20 between 7:00 a.m. and 12:39 p.m.

A resident reported that he found what appeared to be pry marks on the frame to the front door of his residence. He was concerned they may have been the result of an attempted burglary.

MPO Seitz responded and determined the marks were not pry marks but may have been caused by the previous home owner.

Fraud 14-02269 CVS 264 Cedar Lane, SE February 20 7:40 p.m.

A citizen reported she had been contacted by her bank informing her there had been several suspicious charges to her credit card account. She reviewed her account and determined the charges were made without her knowledge.

This case is being investigated.

Medical Case 14-02111 1000 Pickett Place, SW February 21 2:13 p.m.

A resident reported that one of her roommates may have been in need of medical attention.

Officer Tracy responded and assisted members of the Fairfax County Rescue Squad transport the individual to an area hospital.

Found Property 14-02119 500 Block Beulah Road, NE February 21 8:36 p.m.

A resident reported that a bicycle had been abandoned in the area of the 500 Block of Beulah Road.

Officer Reedy responded and transported the child's size Mongoose bicycle to the Vienna Police Department where it will be held until the owner can be identified.

#### Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 14-02127 800 Block Maple Avenue, East February 21 11:30 p.m.

Sgt. Sylmar was on patrol when he observed the driver of a vehicle commit a traffic violation. As a result of the traffic violation he conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he detected the signs of possible impairment. After failing to complete several field sobriety tests he arrested Ms. Edy Coreas-Santos, 33, of Liberty Avenue in Falls Church, Virginia for Driving While Intoxicated.

Ms. Coreas-Santos was transported to the Vienna Police Station where she was given the opportunity to provide a sample of her breath for an analysis. After the analysis she was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where she was charged with Driving While Intoxicated (Third or Subsequent Offense in Ten Years).

Ms. Coreas-Santos was held without bond.

#### Arrest – Drunk in Public 14-02128 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE February 22 12:55 a.m.

MPO Sheeran was on patrol when he was approached by an individual who stated he had been kicked out of Neighbor's Restaurant.

An employee of the restaurant also approached MPO Sheeran and stated the individual had been inappropriate with female customers and had been asked to leave.

Upon his interaction with the individual MPO Sheeran determined that he was intoxicated and arrested Mr. Jose Amilcar Sorto, 32, No Fixed Address, for Drunk in Public.

Mr. Sorto was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was to be held until he was sober.

#### Petit Larceny 14-02131 7-11 427 Maple Avenue, East February 22 3:09 a.m.

An employee reported that two customers entered the store and had consumed Slurpees without paying for them.

Officer Reedy responded and spoke with the individuals who stated they tasted the Slurpees and did not like the flavor then threw the remaining drink in the trash.

The employee was informed of the warrant process in the event he wished to pursue charges.

#### **Grand Larceny 14-02153**

#### 1100 Block Pekay Street, SW

#### February 22 between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

A citizen reported she parked her vehicle, leaving her purse on the front floor board. When she returned a short time later she discovered that someone had taken her purse. She stated she believes the vehicle had been left unlocked.

This case is being investigated.

Animal Case – Quarantine 14-02275 The Hope Center 140 Park Street, SE February 22 12:00 p.m.

An employee reported that a dog had been brought into the Hope Center after it had been severely injured. While the owner was transporting the dog to the Hope Center the dog bit her.

The employee reported that the dog's injuries were severe and the dog could not be saved.

ACO Barker transported the dog to the Fairfax County Animal Control Center to be tested for Rabies.

Open Door 14-02150 900 Block Echols Street, SE February 22 2:33 p.m.

An alarm company reported that a residential alarm had been activated. MPO Seitz responded and located an unlocked door in the rear of the residence.

MPO Seitz searched the residence and located a tenant in the basement. The tenant stated she had come home and set off the alarm.

#### Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 14-02154 Maple Avenue at Park Street, East February 22 5:01 p.m.

Officer Tracy responded to the area in reference to a two vehicle crash (See Crash Report 14-02154 below). Upon his interaction with both drivers he determined that the driver of the striking vehicle may have been impaired. After failing to complete several field sobriety tests he arrested Mr. Sean Michael McKendry, 28, of Old Lee Highway in Fairfax, Virginia for Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. McKendry was transported to the Vienna Police Station where he was provided the opportunity to provide a sample of his breath for an analysis. After the analysis he was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated and Driving on a Revoked License.

Mr. McKendry was held on a \$2,500.00 bond.

Grand Larceny 14-02237 Café Renaissance

163 Glyndon Street, SE

#### Between February 22 at 8:00 p.m. and February 24 2:56 p.m.

A customer reported that while attending a party at the restaurant she placed her bracelet on a table and went to the restroom. She stated when she returned to her table the bracelet was gone.

Vehicle Tampering 14-02155 Café Renaissance 163 Glyndon Street, SE February 22 8:50 p.m.

Officer Reedy responded to the area after a citizen reported finding miscellaneous items strewn about the parking lot. The citizen believed the items may have come from a vehicle parked in the parking lot.

Officer Reedy was able to locate the owner of the vehicle who informed him someone may have entered his vehicle through an open window. The owner stated that although the items were removed from the vehicle and strewn about there appeared to be no damage to the vehicle and nothing had been taken.

Petit Larceny 14-02187 Panera Bread 136 Maple Avenue, West February 23 between 10:20 a.m. and 12:12 p.m.

A customer reported that she left her purse unattended while she went to the front counter to pick up her food. When she returned she discovered that someone had taken her wallet from her

purse.

This case is being investigated.

Fraud 14-02295 Emmaus United Church of Christ 900 Maple Avenue, East

Between February 23 at 12:00 p.m. and February 24 at 8:00 p.m.

A resident reported she had gone to dinner and when she attempted to pay she discovered that her credit cards had been taken from her wallet.

She stated she had previously been at the Emmaus United Church of Christ and left her purse unattended while she was there.

This case is being investigated.

#### Domestic Dispute 14-02196 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE February 23 6:35 p.m.

A resident reported that her ex husband had been insulting her and harassing her over the telephone. She also stated the husband had taken their daughter and not returned her at the time specified by their custody agreement.

MPO Sheeran responded and spoke with both individuals and determined the mother had given the ex husband permission to keep the daughter longer than specified.

MPO Sheeran was unable to determine that any threatening telephone calls had taken place. The ex husband returned his daughter to her mother and left the area.

Suspicious Event 14-02217 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE February 24 9:53 a.m.

A resident reported she had been insulted by another resident.

Assault 14-02270 Cedar Lane School 101 Cedar Lane, SW February 24 1:50 p.m.

The mother of a student responded to the Vienna Police station to report that her daughter had been involved in an altercation at school.

Her daughter stated she had been involved in an argument with another student when the other student charged her in a way that made her fear she was going to be assaulted at which point the daughter struck the charging student.

The mother and her daughter did not wish to pursue charges.

#### Fraud 14-02268 900 Block Kramer Court, SE February 25 7:45 a.m.

A resident reported that she received a call from an individual claiming to be an employee with the IRS. The caller stated the resident had committed tax fraud and owed money on a previous tax return. The caller stated that if the resident did not pay the amount within two days she would be arrested.

The resident informed the caller that she was going to contact her attorney in reference to the allegation at which time the caller hung up.

This case is being investigated.

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#### Arrest – Narcotics Violation 14-02264 Follin Lane at Orrin Street, SE February 25 7:57 a.m.

PFC Myers observed the driver of a vehicle commit a traffic violation. As a result of that traffic violation he conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he detected the odor of marijuana. After further interaction a measurable amount of marijuana was located.

PFC Myers issued a summons to Mr. Justin Capo, 29, of Old Dairy Road in Herndon, Virginia for Possession of Marijuana.

Mr. Capo was released after signing the summons.

#### Suspicious Event 14-02311 400 Block West Court, NW

#### February 25 between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

A resident reported that she received a telephone call from an individual claiming to be an employee with the IRS. The caller stated the resident's husband had improperly filed his income tax returns for several years and owed the IRS a back payment. The caller stated that if her husband did not make a payment he would be arrested.

The husband contacted his attorney who informed him that the call was a scam and he should not send any money.

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#### Suspicious Event 14-02293 1000 Block Pickett Place, SW February 25 5:16 p.m.

A cab driver reported that he was having difficulty with a fare. The driver stated he had driven the fare from Popeyes and when they arrived at the destination he refused to exit the cab.

MPO Evans responded and determined the fare was intoxicated and in need of medical attention.

Fairfax County Fire and Rescue personnel responded and transported him to an area hospital for treatment.

#### Medical Case 14-02300 100 Block Melody Lane, SW February 25 10:32 p.m.

Officer Tremont responded to a residence for the report of a resident that may have been in need of medical attention.

Fairfax County Fire and Rescue personnel transported the resident to an area hospital for treatment.

#### Assault 14-02303 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE February 26 7:49 a.m.

A resident reported that while walking to visit a family member he was assaulted. He stated the individual who assaulted him lived in the same apartment as the family member he was going to visit.

PFC Lyons informed the resident of the process to obtain a warrant should he wish to pursue charges.

#### Police Service 14-02309 1000 Block Lynn Street, SW February 26 11:43 a.m.

Sgt. Farhan responded at the request of a Fairfax County Sheriff's Deputy to assist in securing a residence that had been deemed uninhabitable.

#### Extortion 14-02310 200 Block Elm Street, SW February 26 1:06 p.m.

A resident reported he had been corresponding with a female on an internet website. The resident stated that after sending a video to the female she threatened to release the video, on the internet, unless he paid her an undisclosed amount of money.

He informed her he was going to contact the police department at which time she signed off the internet. The resident had not sent any money to the female.

#### Medical Case 14-02312 Maple Avenue at East Street, NE February 26 2:07 p.m.

Sgt. Farhan observed the driver of a vehicle commit a traffic violation. As a result of the traffic violation he conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he determined she may have been suffering from a medical emergency.

Fairfax County Fire and Rescue personnel were summoned to transport the driver to an area hospital for treatment.

Found Property 14-02318 Vienna Police Department 215 Center Street, South February 26 9:00 p.m.

A citizen responded to the Vienna Police Station to turn a wallet he found on a Metro Bus.

MPO Sheeran contacted the owner of the wallet and informed her it would be held at the police station until she could make arrangements to pick it up.

#### Arrest – Narcotics Violation 14-02333 600 Block Kingsley Road, SW February 27 10:13 a.m.

Officer Tracy was on patrol when he observed the driver of a vehicle commit a traffic violation. As a result of the traffic violation Officer Tracy conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he detected the odor of marijuana. Upon further interaction a measurable amount of marijuana was located.

Officer Tracy issued a summons to Mr. Nhan Thanh To, 21, of Wilburn Drive, in Fairfax, Virginia for Possession of Marijuana.

Mr. To was released after signing the summons.

Suspicious Person 14-02335 Vienna Town Hall 127 Center Street, South February 27 11:47 a.m.

PFC Lyons responded to Vienna Town Hall in reference to an individual at the Department of Public Works (DPW) office who was being aggressive towards the employees.

PFC Lyons spoke with the individual who stated he had been riding his bicycle on Church Street, when, in his opinion, a DPW truck passed him too closely.

The individual stated he wanted to go to the Town Property Yard and confront the driver. He was informed that if he entered the Town Property Yard he would be arrested for trespassing.

The individual stated he understood and left the area.

### **CRASHES**

## 500 Block Maple Avenue, West 14-02108 February 21 1:09 p.m.

The owner of a legally parked vehicle discovered damage to her vehicle which may have been caused by an unknown vehicle.

# Maple Avenue at Park Street, NE 14-02154 February 22 5:01 p.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling west bound on Maple Avenue approaching Park Street, NE in the rightmost lane.

The driver of the second vehicle was also traveling west bound on Maple Avenue approaching Park Street, NE in the leftmost lane. The driver stated he swerved into the right lane to avoid striking a vehicle exiting a parking lot when he struck the first vehicle.

Officer Tracy responded and upon his interaction with the driver of the second vehicle he determined the driver may have been impaired (See Incident Number 14-02154 above).

The driver of the second vehicle was charged with Driving While Intoxicated and Driving on a Revoked Drivers License.

### **300 Block Plum Street, SW 14-02195**

#### February 23 4:46 p.m.

The owner of a legally parked vehicle discovered that her vehicle had been struck by an unknown vehicle.

#### Giant Shopping Center 14-02254 359 Maple Avenue, East February 24 11:00 a.m.

The owner of a legally parked vehicle stated when she returned from shopping she discovered that her vehicle had been struck by an unknown vehicle.

# Branch Street near Locust Street, SE 14-02278 February 24 4:00 p.m.

The owner of a legally parked vehicle discovered that her vehicle had been struck by an unknown vehicle.

#### Cunningham Park Elementary School 1001 Park Street, SE 14-02304 February 26 8:41 a.m.

The driver of a vehicle stated she was pulling from the school parking lot when a pedestrian ran in front of her vehicle. The driver stated she was unable to stop in time to prevent hitting the pedestrian.

Several witness confirmed that the pedestrian had run in front of the vehicle and was not in a crosswalk.

## Nutley Street at Courthouse Road, SW 14-02335 February 27 11:14 a.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling south bound on Nutley Street approaching the intersection with Courthouse Road, SW.

The driver of the second vehicle was traveling north bound on Nutley Street attempting to make a left turn onto Courthouse Road, SW.

The driver of the second vehicle turned into the path of the first vehicle causing a collision.

## Church Street at Beulah Road, NE 14-02337 February 27 12:44 P.M.

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling west bound on Church Street entering the intersection with Beulah Road, NE.

The driver of the second vehicle was traveling east bound on Church Street and attempted to make a left turn to go north bound on Beulah Road, NE and turned into the path of the first vehicle causing a collision.

# Lawyers Road at Church Street, NW 14-02342 February 27 3:00 p.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling north bound on Lawyers Road approaching the intersection with Church Street, NW

The operator of a moped was traveling east bound on Church Street and attempted to traverse the intersection with Lawyers Road, NW. The moped operator entered the intersection and collided with the first vehicle.

The moped operator left the scene prior to the arrival of the police officer.

### **MEDIA RELEASES**

None.

### **CASE UPDATES**

None.

## **OF INTEREST/ CITIZEN NOTES**

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**Please Note:** Remove all valuables from an unattended vehicle and most importantly, lock the vehicle doors.

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Citizens are reminded to PLEASE call and report suspicious activity. Even if you choose not to provide your name or other personal information, we still need your help as extra eyes and ears in the community.

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Please contact MPO Gary Lose for further information on any of these cases at glose@viennava.gov or 703-255-6396.